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SENATE BILL 18-135

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING UPDATES TO THE COLORADO CODE OF MILITARY  
102 JUSTICE.

Bill Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill updates the Colorado code of military justice (code). **Sections 1 and 2** of the bill define terms related to the code and clarify the applicability of the code. **Sections 4 and 6** authorize commanding officers to arrest any enlisted member, impose certain disciplinary punishments without the intervention of a court-martial, and clarify those punishments and who may impose them. **Sections 7 to 9** describe the

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punishments that may be imposed by general, special, and summary courts-martial. Section 9 also removes a person's ability to refuse trial by summary court-martial.

**Section 10** authorizes the assistant adjutant general for the space, cyber, and missile defense for the Colorado National Guard; the land component commander for the Colorado Army National Guard; or the wing commander for the Colorado Air National Guard to convene a general court-martial. **Section 11** authorizes certain officers to convene a special court-martial. **Section 13** permits a military judge to be detailed to a court-martial irrespective of military branch. **Section 14** requires counsel in general or special courts-martial to be appointed as judge advocates. **Section 15** classifies as felonies offenses for which an accused may be convicted by general court-martial and receive a sentence of confinement. A conviction by summary court-martial is not a criminal conviction. All other military offenses are misdemeanors.

**Section 16** authorizes the state to appeal certain decisions in a court-martial and prohibits the state from appealing a finding of not guilty by a court-martial or trial by military judge only. The bill describes the process for the state to file an appeal.

**Sections 17 to 29** make changes to existing offenses in the code. **Section 30** creates an offense related to the possession and use of controlled substances.

**Section 31** establishes a process by which a member of the military forces may make a complaint against a commanding officer.

**Sections 3, 12, 13, and 14** require certain persons already required to be members of the Colorado state bar to be members in good standing.

The bill makes conforming amendments.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-102, **amend**  
3 the introductory portion and (4); **repeal** (2); and **add** (2.3), (2.7), (6.5),  
4 (10.5), (14.5), (18.4), (18.7), (22), and (23) as follows:

5 **28-3.1-102. Definitions.** As used in this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 3.1,  
6 unless the context otherwise requires:

7 (2) ~~"Active state duty" means all duty authorized under the~~  
8 ~~constitution and laws of the state of Colorado and all training authorized~~  
9 ~~under title 32 of the United States Code.~~

10 (2.3) "CADET" OR "CANDIDATE" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS

1 ENROLLED IN OR ATTENDING A STATE MILITARY ACADEMY, A REGIONAL  
2 TRAINING INSTITUTE, OR ANY OTHER FORMAL EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR  
3 THE PURPOSE OF BECOMING A COMMISSIONED OR WARRANT OFFICER IN  
4 THE STATE MILITARY FORCES.

5 (2.7) "CLASSIFIED INFORMATION" MEANS:

6 (a) ANY INFORMATION OR MATERIAL THAT HAS BEEN DETERMINED  
7 BY AN OFFICIAL OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY STATE PURSUANT TO LAW,  
8 EXECUTIVE ORDER, OR REGULATION TO REQUIRE PROTECTION AGAINST  
9 UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE FOR REASONS OF NATIONAL OR STATE  
10 SECURITY; AND

11 (b) ANY RESTRICTED DATA, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 11 OF THE  
12 FEDERAL "ATOMIC ENERGY ACT OF 1954", 42 U.S.C. SEC. 2014 (y).

13 (4) "Commanding officer" ~~includes only~~ MEANS a commissioned  
14 officer OR WARRANT OFFICER IN A POSITION OF COMMAND, OR A  
15 COMMISSIONED OFFICER IN CHARGE WHEN HE OR SHE IS ADMINISTERING  
16 NONJUDICIAL PUNISHMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 28-3.1-114.

17 (6.5) "DISMISSAL" MEANS A PUNITIVE SEPARATION THAT APPLIES  
18 ONLY TO COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, COMMISSIONED WARRANT OFFICERS,  
19 CANDIDATES, AND CADETS, AND MAY BE ADJUDGED BY A GENERAL  
20 COURT-MARTIAL. A DISMISSAL MAY BE ADJUDGED FOR ANY OFFENSE FOR  
21 WHICH A COMMISSIONED OFFICER, COMMISSIONED WARRANT OFFICER,  
22 CANDIDATE, OR CADET HAS BEEN FOUND GUILTY.

23 (10.5) "JUNIOR ENLISTED" MEANS AN ENLISTED PERSON HOLDING  
24 THE RANK OF E-1 THROUGH E-4.

25 (14.5) "NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER" MEANS AN ENLISTED PERSON  
26 HOLDING THE RANK OF E-5 THROUGH E-9.

27 (18.4) "SAFEGUARD" MEANS A DETACHMENT, GUARD, OR DETAIL

1 POSTED BY A COMMANDER FOR THE PROTECTION OF PERSONS, PLACES, OR  
2 PROPERTY OF THE ENEMY OR OF A NEUTRAL PARTY AFFECTED BY THE  
3 RELATIONSHIP OF BELLIGERENT FORCES IN THEIR PROSECUTION OF WAR OR  
4 DURING CIRCUMSTANCES AMOUNTING TO A STATE OF BELLIGERENCY,  
5 INCLUDING A WRITTEN ORDER LEFT BY A COMMANDER WITH AN ENEMY  
6 SUBJECT OR POSTED UPON ENEMY PROPERTY FOR THE PROTECTION OF  
7 THAT PERSON OR PROPERTY.

8 (18.7) "STATE ACTIVE DUTY" MEANS ALL DUTY AUTHORIZED  
9 UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF COLORADO AND  
10 ALL TRAINING AUTHORIZED UNDER TITLE 32 OF THE UNITED STATES  
11 CODE, AS AMENDED.

12 (22) "UNIT TRAINING ASSEMBLY" MEANS AN AUTHORIZED AND  
13 SCHEDULED TRAINING PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN FOUR HOURS DURATION.  
14 UNIT TRAINING ASSEMBLIES ARE AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO 32 U.S.C.  
15 SEC. 502, AS AMENDED, AND MAY BE CONDUCTED WITH OR WITHOUT PAY.

16 (23) "WARRANT OFFICER" MEANS A PERSON WHO HOLDS THE RANK  
17 OF WARRANT OFFICER ONE THROUGH CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER FIVE.  
18 THESE PERSONS RANK ABOVE ENLISTED PERSONNEL AND BELOW  
19 COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

20 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-105, **amend**  
21 (1); and **add** (3) as follows:

22 **28-3.1-105. Territorial applicability of this code.** (1) This code  
23 ~~shall apply~~ APPLIES to all persons otherwise subject to this code, EITHER  
24 IN TITLE 32 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, AS AMENDED, OR STATE ACTIVE  
25 DUTY STATUS, while they are serving outside the state and while they are  
26 going to and returning from such service outside the state in the same  
27 manner and to the same extent as if they were serving inside the state.

1 (3) THIS CODE DOES NOT APPLY TO PERSONS SERVING UNDER TITLE  
2 10 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, AS AMENDED.

3 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-106, **amend**  
4 (2) as follows:

5 **28-3.1-106. State judge advocate general and judge advocates.**

6 (2) The adjutant general may appoint as many assistant state judge  
7 advocates as he or she considers necessary. To be eligible for  
8 appointment, assistant state judge advocates must be officers of the state  
9 military forces and members IN GOOD STANDING of the bar of the state of  
10 Colorado.

11 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-107, **amend**  
12 (1) as follows:

13 **28-3.1-107. Apprehension and restraint.** (1) Officers, warrant  
14 officers, and enlisted members of the military forces may be placed in  
15 arrest by their military superiors upon reasonable belief that an offense in  
16 violation of this code has been committed and that the person  
17 apprehended committed such offense. An enlisted member may be  
18 ordered into arrest or confinement by any commissioned officer by an  
19 order, oral or written, delivered in person or through other persons subject  
20 to this code or through any person authorized by this code to apprehend  
21 persons. A commanding officer may authorize warrant officers or  
22 noncommissioned officers to order enlisted members ~~of his or her~~  
23 ~~company~~ or subject to his or her authority into arrest or confinement. A  
24 commissioned officer or warrant officer may be ordered apprehended or  
25 into arrest or confinement only by a commanding officer to whose  
26 authority he or she is subject, by an order, oral or written, delivered in  
27 person or by another commissioned officer. The authority to order such

1 persons apprehended or into arrest or confinement may not be delegated.  
2 No person may be ordered apprehended or into arrest or confinement  
3 except for probable cause. This section ~~shall~~ DOES not limit the authority  
4 of persons authorized to apprehend offenders to secure the custody of an  
5 alleged offender until proper authority may be notified.

6 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-113, **amend**  
7 (1) as follows:

8 **28-3.1-113. Delivery of offenders to civil authorities.** (1) Under  
9 such regulations as are prescribed under this code, a person subject to this  
10 code who is on STATE active ~~state~~ duty who is accused of any offense  
11 against civil authority may be delivered, upon request, to the civil  
12 authority for trial.

13 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-114, **amend**  
14 (1), (2) introductory portion, (2)(a), (2)(b)(I), (2)(b)(II), (2)(b)(IV),  
15 (2)(b)(V), and (3); and **add** (2.5), (4.4), and (4.7) as follows:

16 **28-3.1-114. Commanding officer's nonjudicial punishment.**  
17 (1) Punishment may be imposed for any offense cognizable by a  
18 court-martial upon any member of the state military forces under this  
19 section. Under such regulations as the governor may prescribe, limitations  
20 may be placed on the powers granted by this section with respect to the  
21 kind and amount of punishment authorized and the ~~categories~~ LEVELS of  
22 commanding officers and warrant officers exercising command  
23 authorized to exercise those powers. If authorized by regulations of the  
24 governor, the governor or an officer of general rank in command may  
25 delegate his or her powers under this section to a principal assistant. If  
26 subject to disciplinary punishment, the accused ~~shall~~ MUST be afforded  
27 the opportunity to be represented by defense counsel having the

1 qualifications prescribed under ~~section 28-3.1-102 (14)~~ SECTION  
2 28-3.1-102 (10), if available. Otherwise, the accused ~~shall~~ MUST be  
3 afforded the opportunity to be represented by any available commissioned  
4 officer of his or her choice. The accused may also employ civilian counsel  
5 of his or her own choosing at his or her own expense. In all proceedings,  
6 the accused is allowed three duty days, or longer on written justification,  
7 to reply to the notification of intent to impose punishment under this  
8 section.

9 (2) Subject to subsection (1) of this section, any commanding  
10 officer may, in addition to or in lieu of admonition or reprimand, impose  
11 one or more of the following disciplinary punishments ~~for minor offenses,~~  
12 ~~as defined by the governor,~~ without the intervention of a court-martial:

13 (a) Upon an officer of his or her command:

14 (I) Withholding of privileges for not more than two ~~consecutive~~  
15 weeks, WHICH NEED NOT BE CONSECUTIVE;

16 (II) Restriction to certain specified limits, with or without  
17 suspension from duty, for not more than two ~~consecutive~~ weeks, WHICH  
18 NEED NOT BE CONSECUTIVE;

19 (III) If imposed by the governor, the adjutant general, or a  
20 commanding officer of the Army or Air National Guard, a fine or  
21 forfeiture of pay and allowance of not more than ~~two hundred fifty dollars~~  
22 THE AMOUNT OF PAY AND ALLOWANCE RECEIVED FOR TWO UNIT TRAINING  
23 ASSEMBLIES OR TWO DAYS OF ANNUAL TRAINING, WHICHEVER IS  
24 APPLICABLE ACCORDING TO DUTY STATUS;

25 (IV) AN ADMONITION; OR

26 (V) A REPRIMAND;

27 (b) Upon other military personnel of his or her command:

1 (I) Withholding of privileges for not more than two ~~consecutive~~  
2 weeks, WHICH NEED NOT BE CONSECUTIVE;

3 (II) Restriction to certain specified limits, with or without  
4 suspension from duty, for not more than two ~~consecutive~~ weeks, WHICH  
5 NEED NOT BE CONSECUTIVE;

6 (IV) Reduction to next inferior grade if the grade from which he  
7 or she was demoted was established by the command or an equivalent or  
8 lower command; OR

9 (V) ~~A fine or forfeiture of pay and allowances of not more than~~  
10 ~~fifty dollars for a single offense and of not more than two hundred fifty~~  
11 ~~dollars for multiple offenses~~ A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT UP TO THE MAXIMUM  
12 PAY AND ALLOWANCES RECEIVED FOR TWO UNIT TRAINING ASSEMBLIES OR  
13 TWO DAYS OF ANNUAL TRAINING, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE ACCORDING  
14 TO DUTY STATUS.

15 (2.5) IF THE COMMANDING OFFICER IS OF FIELD GRADE, GRADE OF  
16 O-4 OR RANK OF MAJOR OR ABOVE, HE OR SHE MAY IMPOSE ON AN  
17 ENLISTED MEMBER ANY ONE OR A COMBINATION OF THE FOLLOWING  
18 DISCIPLINARY PUNISHMENTS WITHOUT THE INTERVENTION OF A  
19 COURT-MARTIAL:

20 (a) ANY OF THE PUNISHMENTS STATED IN SUBSECTIONS (2)(b)(I)  
21 TO (2)(b)(III) OF THIS SECTION;

22 (b) A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT UP TO THE MAXIMUM PAY AND  
23 ALLOWANCES RECEIVED FOR TWO UNIT TRAINING ASSEMBLIES OR TWO  
24 DAYS OF ANNUAL TRAINING, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE ACCORDING TO  
25 DUTY STATUS;

26 (c) REDUCTION TO THE LOWEST OR ANY INTERMEDIATE PAY  
27 GRADE, IF THE CURRENT GRADE FROM WHICH HE OR SHE IS DEMOTED IS



1        WITHIN THE PROMOTION AUTHORITY OF THE OFFICER IMPOSING THE  
2        REDUCTION OR AN OFFICER SUBORDINATE TO THE ONE IMPOSING THE  
3        REDUCTION, BUT ENLISTED MEMBERS IN MILITARY GRADES ABOVE E-4  
4        MAY NOT BE REDUCED BY MORE THAN TWO MILITARY GRADES.

5            (3) The governor may, by regulation, place limitations on the  
6        powers granted by this section with respect to the kind and amount of  
7        punishment authorized and the ~~categories~~ LEVELS of commanding officers  
8        AND WARRANT OFFICERS EXERCISING COMMAND authorized to exercise  
9        those powers.

10           (4.4) MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE PUNISHMENTS OF WITHHOLDING OF  
11        PRIVILEGES, RESTRICTIONS, AND EXTRA DUTIES MAY NOT BE COMBINED TO  
12        RUN CONSECUTIVELY.

13           (4.7) THE OFFICER WHO IMPOSES THE PUNISHMENT PURSUANT TO  
14        THIS SECTION, OR THE SUCCESSOR IN COMMAND, MAY, AT ANY TIME,  
15        SUSPEND, SET ASIDE, MITIGATE, OR REMIT ANY PART OR AMOUNT OF THE  
16        PUNISHMENT AND RESTORE ALL RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, AND PROPERTY  
17        AFFECTED. THE OFFICER ALSO MAY:

- 18            (a) MITIGATE REDUCTION IN GRADE TO FORFEITURE OF PAY;
- 19            (b) MITIGATE ARREST IN QUARTERS TO RESTRICTION; OR
- 20            (c) MITIGATE EXTRA DUTIES TO RESTRICTION.

21            **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-203, **amend**  
22        (1)(a), (1)(b), and (1)(c) as follows:

23            **28-3.1-203. Jurisdiction of general courts-martial.** (1) General  
24        courts-martial have jurisdiction to try persons subject to this code for any  
25        offense punishable under this code and may adjudge any of the following  
26        punishments:

- 27            (a) Confinement for not more than two years, UNLESS OTHERWISE

1 SPECIFIED IN THIS CODE;

2 (b) A fine of ~~not more than one thousand dollars~~; ANY AMOUNT UP  
3 TO THE MAXIMUM PAY AND ALLOWANCES RECEIVED FOR EIGHT UNIT  
4 TRAINING ASSEMBLIES OR EIGHT DAYS OF ANNUAL TRAINING, WHICHEVER  
5 IS APPLICABLE ACCORDING TO DUTY STATUS;

6 (c) Forfeiture of pay and allowances of ~~not more than two hundred~~  
7 ~~dollars~~ ANY AMOUNT UP TO THE MAXIMUM PAY RECEIVED FOR EIGHT UNIT  
8 TRAINING ASSEMBLIES OR EIGHT DAYS OF ANNUAL TRAINING, WHICHEVER  
9 IS APPLICABLE ACCORDING TO DUTY STATUS;

10 **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-204  
11 as follows:

12 **28-3.1-204. Jurisdiction of special courts-martial.** Special  
13 courts-martial have jurisdiction to try any person subject to this code  
14 ~~except officers~~, for any offense punishable under this code. A special  
15 court-martial has the same powers of punishment as a general  
16 court-martial; except that confinement may not be more than ninety days  
17 and the fine or forfeiture of pay and allowances imposed by a special  
18 court-martial may not be more than ~~five hundred dollars for a single~~  
19 ~~offense~~ THE MAXIMUM PAY AND ALLOWANCES RECEIVED FOR SIX UNIT  
20 TRAINING ASSEMBLIES OR SIX DAYS OF ANNUAL TRAINING, WHICHEVER IS  
21 APPLICABLE ACCORDING TO DUTY STATUS.

22 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-205  
23 as follows:

24 **28-3.1-205. Jurisdiction of summary courts-martial.**  
25 (1) Summary courts-martial have jurisdiction to try any person subject to  
26 this code, ~~except officers~~ COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, WARRANT OFFICERS,  
27 CADETS, AND CANDIDATES, for any offense made punishable under this

1 code.

2 (2) ~~No person shall be tried by a summary court-martial if, prior~~  
3 ~~to trial, he or she objects thereto. If an objection to trial by summary~~  
4 ~~court-martial is made by an accused, trial may be ordered by special or~~  
5 ~~general court-martial, as appropriate.~~

6 (3) ~~A summary court-martial may sentence an offender to~~  
7 ~~confinement for not more than thirty days, to a fine of not more than~~  
8 ~~twenty-five dollars for a single offense, to forfeiture of pay and~~  
9 ~~allowances of not more than two hundred fifty dollars for a single~~  
10 ~~offense, to reduction of an enlisted person to any inferior grade, and to~~  
11 ~~any combination of these punishments.~~

12 (4) A SUMMARY COURT-MARTIAL MAY ADJUDGE ANY OF THE  
13 FOLLOWING PUNISHMENTS:

14 (a) CONFINEMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN THIRTY DAYS;

15 (b) A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT UP TO THE MAXIMUM PAY RECEIVED  
16 FOR FOUR UNIT TRAINING ASSEMBLIES OR FOUR DAYS OF ANNUAL  
17 TRAINING, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE ACCORDING TO DUTY STATUS;

18 (c) FORFEITURE OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES OF ANY AMOUNT UP TO  
19 THE MAXIMUM PAY RECEIVED FOR FOUR UNIT TRAINING ASSEMBLIES OR  
20 FOUR DAYS OF ANNUAL TRAINING, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE ACCORDING  
21 TO DUTY STATUS;

22 (d) REDUCTION OF AN ENLISTED PERSON TO ANY INFERIOR GRADE;

23 OR

24 (e) ANY COMBINATION OF THESE PUNISHMENTS.

25 **SECTION 10.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-206  
26 as follows:

27 **28-3.1-206. Who may convene general courts-martial.** General

1 courts-martial may be convened by the governor; the adjutant general for  
2 the Colorado National Guard; ANY GENERAL OFFICER IN THE POSITION OF  
3 the assistant adjutant general for the Colorado Army National Guard; the  
4 assistant adjutant general for the Colorado Air National Guard; THE  
5 ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR THE SPACE, CYBER, AND MISSILE  
6 DEFENSE FOR THE COLORADO NATIONAL GUARD; THE LAND COMPONENT  
7 COMMANDER FOR THE COLORADO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD; or the  
8 ~~tactical fighter~~ wing commander FOR THE COLORADO AIR NATIONAL  
9 GUARD.

10 **SECTION 11.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-207  
11 as follows:

12 **28-3.1-207. Who may convene special courts-martial.** The  
13 commanding officer of a garrison, fort, post, camp, air base, or other  
14 place where members of the military forces are on duty or of a division,  
15 brigade, regiment, wing, group, detached battalion, separate squadron, or  
16 any group of detached units placed under a command for this purpose  
17 may convene special courts-martial. In the Colorado Army National  
18 Guard, special courts-martial convening authorities ~~shall include the state~~  
19 ~~aviation officer, troop command commander, and artillery brigade~~  
20 ~~commander~~ ANY OFFICER WITH THE GRADE OF O-6 OR RANK OF COLONEL  
21 SERVING AS THE COMMANDER OF A MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMAND. In  
22 the Colorado Air National Guard, special courts-martial convening  
23 authorities ~~shall include the deputy commander for support, the~~  
24 ~~detachment one commander, and the tactical control group commander~~  
25 GROUP COMMANDERS. Special courts-martial may also be convened by  
26 superior authority. When any such commanding officer is an accuser, the  
27 court shall be convened by superior authority.

1           **SECTION 12.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-209, **amend**  
2 (4)(b) as follows:

3           **28-3.1-209. Who may serve on courts-martial.** (4) (b) When  
4 convening a court-martial, the convening authority shall detail as  
5 members thereof those persons as, in his or her opinion, are best qualified  
6 for the duty by reason of age, education, training, experience, length of  
7 service, and judicial temperament. No member is eligible to serve as a  
8 member of a general or special court-martial when he or she is the  
9 accuser or a witness for the prosecution or has acted as investigating  
10 officer or as counsel in the same case. If within the command of the  
11 convening authority there is present and not otherwise disqualified a  
12 commissioned officer who is a member IN GOOD STANDING of the bar of  
13 this state and of appropriate rank and grade, the convening authority shall  
14 MAY appoint him or her as president of a general or special court-martial.  
15 ~~Although this requirement shall be binding on the convening authority,~~  
16 ~~failure to meet it in any case shall not divest a military court of~~  
17 ~~jurisdiction.~~

18           **SECTION 13.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-210, **amend**  
19 (1) as follows:

20           **28-3.1-210. Military judge of a general or special**  
21 **court-martial.** (1) (a) The authority convening a general or special  
22 court-martial shall request the state judge advocate general to detail as  
23 military judge thereof a commissioned officer who is a member IN GOOD  
24 STANDING of the bar of this state. No person is eligible to act as military  
25 judge in a case if he or she is the accuser or witness for the prosecution  
26 or has acted as investigating officer or as counsel in the same case.

27           (b) A MILITARY JUDGE MAY BE DETAILED TO A COURT-MARTIAL

1 IRRESPECTIVE OF MILITARY BRANCH WHEN PERMITTED BY THE STATE  
2 JUDGE ADVOCATE.

3 **SECTION 14.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-211, **amend**  
4 (2) as follows:

5 **28-3.1-211. Detail of trial and defense counsel.** (2) Trial  
6 counsel and defense counsel for a general or special court-martial ~~shall~~  
7 MUST be members IN GOOD STANDING of the bar of this state AND JUDGE  
8 ADVOCATES APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 28-3.1-106 (2).

9 **SECTION 15.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 28-3.1-402.5  
10 as follows:

11 **28-3.1-402.5. Classification of offenses.** A CONVICTION BY  
12 GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL OF ANY MILITARY OFFENSE FOR WHICH AN  
13 ACCUSED RECEIVED A SENTENCE GREATER THAN ONE YEAR OF  
14 CONFINEMENT OR A CONVICTION BY A GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL OF ANY  
15 OFFENSE THAT, AT THE TIME THE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED, CARRIES A  
16 MAXIMUM TERM OF CONFINEMENT OF THREE YEARS OR GREATER AS SET  
17 FORTH UNDER 10 U.S.C. SEC. 877 TO 10 U.S.C. SEC. 934, AS AMENDED, OR  
18 PURSUANT TO AN EXECUTIVE ORDER, IS A FELONY OFFENSE. EXCEPT FOR  
19 CONVICTIONS BY A SUMMARY COURT-MARTIAL, ALL OTHER MILITARY  
20 OFFENSES ARE MISDEMEANORS. ANY CONVICTION BY A SPECIAL  
21 COURT-MARTIAL IS A MISDEMEANOR. ANY CONVICTION BY A SUMMARY  
22 COURT-MARTIAL IS NOT A CRIMINAL CONVICTION.

23 **SECTION 16.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-403, **add** (6)  
24 as follows:

25 **28-3.1-403. Effective date of sentences.** (6) NOTWITHSTANDING  
26 SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION, UNLESS WAIVED BY THE ACCUSED, AN  
27 OFFICER EXERCISING SUMMARY COURT-MARTIAL JURISDICTION SHALL

1 DEFER SERVICE OF A SENTENCE TO CONFINEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION  
2 28-3.1-205 (4)(a), PENDING THE CONCLUSION OF ANY APPEAL FOLLOWING  
3 REVIEW AND APPROVAL PURSUANT TO SECTION 28-3.1-420.

4 **SECTION 17.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 28-3.1-421 as  
5 follows:

6 **28-3.1-421. Appeal by the state.** (1) IN A TRIAL BY  
7 COURT-MARTIAL OR IN A TRIAL BY MILITARY JUDGE ONLY PURSUANT TO  
8 SECTION 28-3.1-316 (4) IN WHICH A PUNITIVE DISCHARGE MAY BE  
9 ADJUDGED, THE STATE MAY NOT APPEAL A FINDING OF NOT GUILTY WITH  
10 RESPECT TO THE CHARGE OR SPECIFICATION. IN A TRIAL BY  
11 COURT-MARTIAL IN WHICH A PUNITIVE DISCHARGE MAY BE ADJUDGED, THE  
12 STATE MAY APPEAL THE FOLLOWING:

13 (a) AN ORDER OR RULING OF THE MILITARY JUDGE THAT  
14 TERMINATES THE PROCEEDINGS WITH RESPECT TO A CHARGE OR  
15 SPECIFICATION;

16 (b) AN ORDER OR RULING THAT EXCLUDES EVIDENCE THAT IS  
17 SUBSTANTIAL PROOF OF A FACT MATERIAL IN THE PROCEEDING;

18 (c) AN ORDER OR RULING THAT DIRECTS THE DISCLOSURE OF  
19 CLASSIFIED INFORMATION;

20 (d) AN ORDER OR RULING THAT IMPOSES SANCTIONS FOR  
21 NONDISCLOSURE OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION;

22 (e) A REFUSAL OF THE MILITARY JUDGE TO ISSUE A PROTECTIVE  
23 ORDER SOUGHT BY THE STATE TO PREVENT THE DISCLOSURE OF CLASSIFIED  
24 INFORMATION; OR

25 (f) A REFUSAL BY THE MILITARY JUDGE TO ENFORCE AN ORDER  
26 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(e) OF THIS SECTION THAT HAS PREVIOUSLY  
27 BEEN ISSUED BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY.

1           (2) AN APPEAL OF AN ORDER OR RULING MAY NOT BE TAKEN  
2 UNLESS THE TRIAL COUNSEL PROVIDES THE MILITARY JUDGE WITH  
3 WRITTEN NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE ORDER OR RULING WITHIN  
4 SEVENTY-TWO HOURS OF THE ORDER OR RULING. SUCH NOTICE MUST  
5 INCLUDE A CERTIFICATION BY THE TRIAL COUNSEL THAT THE APPEAL IS  
6 NOT TAKEN FOR THE PURPOSE OF DELAY AND, IF THE ORDER OR RULING  
7 APPEALED IS ONE THAT EXCLUDES EVIDENCE, THAT THE EVIDENCE  
8 EXCLUDED IS SUBSTANTIAL PROOF OF A FACT MATERIAL IN THE  
9 PROCEEDING.

10           (3) AN APPEAL UNDER THIS ARTICLE 3.1 MUST BE DILIGENTLY  
11 PROSECUTED AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

12           (4) AN APPEAL UNDER THIS ARTICLE 3.1 MUST BE FORWARDED TO  
13 THE COURT PRESCRIBED IN THIS CODE. IN RULING ON AN APPEAL UNDER  
14 THIS ARTICLE 3.1, THAT COURT MAY ACT ONLY WITH RESPECT TO MATTERS  
15 OF LAW.

16           (5) ANY PERIOD OF DELAY RESULTING FROM AN APPEAL UNDER  
17 THIS ARTICLE 3.1 MUST BE EXCLUDED IN DECIDING ANY ISSUE REGARDING  
18 DENIAL OF A SPEEDY TRIAL UNLESS AN APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY  
19 DETERMINES THAT THE APPEAL WAS FILED SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
20 DELAY WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT IT WAS TOTALLY FRIVOLOUS AND  
21 WITHOUT MERIT.

22           **SECTION 18.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-501  
23 as follows:

24           **28-3.1-501. Principal defined.** A "principal", as used in this code,  
25 means any person punishable under this code who commits an offense  
26 punishable by this code or intentionally aids, abets, counsels, commands,  
27 SOLICITS, or procures its commission or intentionally causes an act to be



1 done which if directly performed by him or her would be punishable by  
2 this code.

3 **SECTION 19.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-507, **amend**  
4 (1)(a) as follows:

5 **28-3.1-507. Fraudulent enlistment, appointment, or**  
6 **separation.** (1) Any person shall be punished as a court-martial directs  
7 if he or she:

8 (a) Procures his or her own enlistment or appointment in the state  
9 military forces by knowingly false representation or deliberate  
10 concealment as to his or her qualifications OR MEDICAL FITNESS for that  
11 enlistment or appointment and receives pay or allowances thereunder; or

12 **SECTION 20.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-511  
13 as follows:

14 **28-3.1-511. Missing movement.** Any person subject to this code  
15 who, through neglect or design, misses the movement of a ship, aircraft,  
16 or unit with which he or she is required in the course of duty to move  
17 ~~shall~~ MUST be punished as a court-martial directs.

18 **SECTION 21.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-514, **amend**  
19 (1) introductory portion as follows:

20 **28-3.1-514. Assaulting or willfully disobeying superior**  
21 **commissioned officer.** (1) Any person subject to this code shall be  
22 punished BY CONFINEMENT OF NOT MORE THAN TEN YEARS OR SUCH  
23 OTHER PUNISHMENT as a court-martial directs if he or she:

24 **SECTION 22.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-516  
25 as follows:

26 **28-3.1-516. Failure to obey order or regulation.** Any person  
27 subject to this code who violates or fails to obey any lawful general order

1 or regulation, including an order to report for state active duty, OR IS IN  
2 DERELICT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR HER DUTIES shall be punished  
3 as a court-martial directs.

4 **SECTION 23.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-517  
5 as follows:

6 **28-3.1-517. Cruelty and maltreatment of inferiors.** Any person  
7 subject to this code who is guilty of cruelty toward, or oppression or  
8 maltreatment of, any person subject to his or her orders ~~shall~~ MUST be  
9 punished as a court-martial directs.

10 **SECTION 24.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-518, **amend**  
11 (4) as follows:

12 **28-3.1-518. Mutiny and sedition.** (4) Any person who is found  
13 guilty of attempted mutiny, sedition, or failure to suppress or report a  
14 mutiny or sedition shall be punished BY CONFINEMENT OF NOT MORE THAN  
15 TEN YEARS OR SUCH OTHER PUNISHMENT as a court-martial directs.

16 **SECTION 25.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-523, **amend**  
17 (1) introductory portion as follows:

18 **28-3.1-523. Misbehavior before the enemy or any hostile force.**  
19 (1) Any person subject to this code shall be punished BY CONFINEMENT  
20 OF NOT MORE THAN TEN YEARS OR SUCH OTHER PUNISHMENT as a  
21 court-martial directs when he or she, before or in the presence of the  
22 enemy or any hostile force:

23 **SECTION 26.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-525  
24 as follows:

25 **28-3.1-525. Improper use of countersign.** Any person subject to  
26 this code who discloses the parole or countersign to any person not  
27 entitled to receive it, or who gives to another who is entitled to receive

1 and use the parole or countersign a different parole or countersign from  
2 that which, to his or her knowledge, he or she was authorized and  
3 required to give, shall be punished BY CONFINEMENT OF NOT MORE THAN  
4 TEN YEARS OR SUCH OTHER PUNISHMENT as a court-martial directs.

5 **SECTION 27.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-3.1-527, **amend**  
6 (2)(b) as follows:

7 **28-3.1-527. Captured or abandoned property.** (2) Any person  
8 subject to this code shall be punished as a court-martial directs if he or  
9 she:

10 (b) Buys, sells, trades, or in any way deals in or disposes of  
11 captured, STOLEN, or abandoned property whereby he or she receives or  
12 expects any profit, benefit, or advantage to himself or herself or another  
13 directly or indirectly connected with himself or herself; or

14 **SECTION 28.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-533  
15 as follows:

16 **28-3.1-533. Driving while impaired - reckless driving.** Any  
17 person subject to this code who operates any vehicle while ~~drunk~~  
18 IMPAIRED BY ALCOHOL, MARIJUANA, DRUGS, OR INTOXICANTS OF ANY  
19 KIND, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF, or in a reckless or wanton manner  
20 shall be punished as a court-martial directs.

21 **SECTION 29.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-534  
22 as follows:

23 **28-3.1-534. Impaired on duty - leaving or sleeping on post.**  
24 Any person subject to this code who is found ~~drunk~~ IMPAIRED BY  
25 ALCOHOL, MARIJUANA, DRUGS, OR INTOXICANTS OF ANY KIND, OR ANY  
26 COMBINATION THEREOF, on duty or sleeping upon his or her post or who  
27 leaves his or her post before he or she is regularly relieved shall be

1 punished as a court-martial directs.

2 **SECTION 30.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3.1-548  
3 as follows:

4 **28-3.1-548. Conduct unbecoming an officer.** Any commissioned  
5 officer, CADET, OR CANDIDATE who is convicted of conduct unbecoming  
6 an officer ~~and a gentleman~~ shall be punished as a court-martial directs.

7 **SECTION 31.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 28-3.1-550 as  
8 follows:

9 **28-3.1-550. Controlled substances - wrongful use - possession**  
10 **- transfer.** (1) ANY PERSON SUBJECT TO THIS CODE WHO WRONGFULLY  
11 USES, POSSESSES, MANUFACTURES, DISTRIBUTES, IMPORTS INTO THE  
12 CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES, EXPORTS FROM THE UNITED  
13 STATES, OR INTRODUCES INTO AN INSTALLATION, VESSEL, VEHICLE, OR  
14 AIRCRAFT USED BY OR UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE  
15 UNITED STATES OR OF THE MILITARY FORCES OF ANY STATE A SUBSTANCE  
16 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION MUST BE PUNISHED AS A  
17 COURT-MARTIAL MAY DIRECT.

18 (2) THE SUBSTANCES REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS  
19 SECTION ARE THE FOLLOWING:

20 (a) OPIUM, HEROIN, COCAINE, AMPHETAMINE, LYSERGIC ACID  
21 DIETHYLAMIDE, METHAMPHETAMINE, PHENCYCLIDINE, BARBITURIC ACID,  
22 AND MARIJUANA AND ANY COMPOUND OR DERIVATIVE OF ANY SUCH  
23 SUBSTANCE;

24 (b) ANY SUBSTANCE NOT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS  
25 SECTION THAT IS LISTED ON A SCHEDULE OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES  
26 PRESCRIBED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE PURPOSES  
27 OF THE FEDERAL "UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE", 10 U.S.C. SEC.

1 801 ET SEQ., AS AMENDED; AND

2 (c) ANY OTHER SUBSTANCE THAT IS LISTED IN SCHEDULES I  
3 THROUGH V OF ARTICLE 202 OF THE FEDERAL "CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES  
4 ACT", 21 U.S.C. SEC. 812, AS AMENDED.

5 **SECTION 32.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal and reenact,**  
6 **with amendments,** 28-3.1-604 as follows:

7 **28-3.1-604. Complaints of wrongs.** ANY MEMBER OF THE STATE  
8 MILITARY FORCES WHO BELIEVES HIMSELF OR HERSELF WRONGED BY A  
9 COMMANDING OFFICER, AND WHO, UPON DUE APPLICATION TO THAT  
10 COMMANDING OFFICER, IS REFUSED REDRESS, MAY COMPLAIN TO ANY  
11 SUPERIOR COMMISSIONED OFFICER, WHO SHALL FORWARD THE COMPLAINT  
12 TO THE OFFICER EXERCISING GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL JURISDICTION  
13 OVER THE OFFICER AGAINST WHOM IT IS MADE. THE OFFICER EXERCISING  
14 GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL JURISDICTION SHALL EXAMINE INTO THE  
15 COMPLAINT AND TAKE PROPER MEASURES FOR REDRESSING THE WRONG  
16 COMPLAINED OF, AND SHALL, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, SEND TO THE  
17 ADJUTANT GENERAL A TRUE STATEMENT OF THAT COMPLAINT, WITH THE  
18 PROCEEDINGS HAD THEREON.

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20 **SECTION 33. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
21 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
22 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.